## STATE OF COLORADO

## DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

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## \* \* Memorandum – Action Required \* \*

To: Boards of County Commissioners in Affected Forest Counties

From: Jarrod Biggs, Department of Local Affairs

Re: Election of Forest Payment set aside for counties receiving 2009 Forest Payments

Date: August 10, 2009

Annually the Department of Local Affairs must certify the election results for those counties that have selected the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act (commonly known as the "Full Payment Amount") payment method for Forest Payments from the US Department of Agriculture. Last November DLG certified the 2008 county election results for either the "Full Payment Amount" or the "25% payment" calculations. You are receiving this memo if you selected the "Full Payment Amount" method in 2008 in order to certify the 2009 election for your county.

We have attached a form to designate your county's election for the funds between Tier I, Tier II and Tier III set asides. Please fill out the included form paying special attention to the required set aside amounts for counties that receive more than \$100,000. Projections for payment amounts The Deadline for returning the completed form to the Division is Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup> 2009. Please respond using one of the following methods:

Mail: Division of Local Government

C/O Jarrod Biggs

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Email: jarrod.biggs@state.co.us Web: www.dola.colorado.gov/fedfunds

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns about the process. You may reach me at the above stated email, or by phone at (303) 866-4493

Cc: Colorado Counties Inc.

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